

NATIVITY PILGRIMAGE

JOURNEYS OF FAITH

A PILGRIMAGE TO
**GERMANY
AUSTRIA
SWITZERLAND**



Faith, Beauty
AND THE SACRED HEART OF EUROPE

Spiritual Leader
Father John Hughes

Travel Dates
Aug. 23-Sept. 3, 2027

Activity Level: 3 ★★★★★
Active 10K-15K daily steps



let's begin **your journey**

- 01 FLIGHT TO FRANKFURT:** Begin your pilgrimage with an overnight flight to Frankfurt, preparing your heart for a journey through Germany, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, and Austria. Dinner and overnight on board.
- 02 ARRIVE IN FRANKFURT:** Arrive in Frankfurt, meet your guide, and enjoy a half-day introduction to the city, including St. Nicholas Church (time permitting, subject to flight arrival time). Afterward, check into your hotel and enjoy dinner and overnight in Frankfurt.
- 03 RHINE CRUISE • RÜDESHEIM • HEIDELBERG:** After breakfast, check out and travel to Koblenz for a scenic cruise along the Rhine, passing Boppard and the legendary Lorelei Rock. Continue to Rüdesheim and visit St. Hildegard's Abbey. Travel to Heidelberg, check into your hotel, and enjoy dinner and overnight.
- 04 HEIDELBERG:** Explore Heidelberg Castle, its gardens, the Great Vat, and the Pharmacy Museum before walking through the historic Old Town and Germany's oldest university. Enjoy time in the lively Hauptstrasse and University Square before returning to your hotel for dinner and overnight.
- 05 RHINE FALLS • EINSIEDELN • ZURICH:** After breakfast, check out and travel into Switzerland, stopping at the spectacular Rhine Falls. Continue to Einsiedeln, one of Switzerland's most important Marian pilgrimage sites, and celebrate Mass at its renowned Benedictine shrine. Visit the Diorama Bethlehem before continuing to Zurich. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.
- 06 ZURICH • LUCERNE:** Explore Zurich's historic center, including Grossmünster, St. Peter's Church, Old Town, Town Hall, and Fraumünster. Continue to Lucerne to see the Chapel Bridge, Water Tower, and Jesuit Church, a beautiful witness to the city's Catholic heritage. Return to Zurich for dinner and overnight.
- 07 ZURICH • VADUZ • INNSBRUCK:** After breakfast, check out and travel to Vaduz, capital of Liechtenstein, for a panoramic visit. Continue to Innsbruck and explore the Annasäule, Golden Roof, and Cathedral of St. James. Check into your hotel for dinner and overnight.

Fraumünster Church, Zurich



Mariazell Basilica, Austria

package options

OPTION 1 STANDARD PACKAGE **\$5,599**
PER PERSON

✈ Round-trip airfare 🧑🧑 First-class hotels/double occupancy

OPTION 2 PREMIER PACKAGE **\$7,099**
PER PERSON

✈ Round-trip airfare 🧑 Single room upgrade

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SALZBURG • MONDSEE: After breakfast, check out and travel to Salzburg, birthplace of Mozart and the setting for The Sound of Music. Visit Salzburg Cathedral and Mozart's birthplace, then continue through the scenic Lake District to Mondsee and its beautiful basilica, featured in the film's wedding scene. Continue to your hotel for dinner and overnight in Salzburg.

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VIENNA: After breakfast, check out and journey to Vienna, a city shaped by centuries of music, imperial history, and Catholic tradition. Upon arrival, check into your hotel and enjoy time to settle in before dinner and overnight.

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VIENNA: Explore Vienna's historic center, including the Opera House, St. Stephen's Cathedral, Mozart's House, Naschmarkt, and the Hofburg Palace. St. Stephen's Cathedral has stood at the spiritual heart of Vienna for centuries. Return to your hotel for dinner and overnight.

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MARIAZELL: Travel to Mariazell Basilica, Austria's most beloved Marian shrine and home of the revered Magna Mater Austriae. Spend time in prayer and reflection at this centuries-old pilgrimage site before returning to Vienna. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner at a local restaurant and final overnight.

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RETURN HOME: After breakfast, check out and transfer to the airport for your return flight home, carrying lasting memories and the spiritual graces of your pilgrimage through Central Europe.

places along **your journey**



Römerberg, Frankfurt, Germany



St. Stephen's, Vienna



Hofburg Palace, Vienna, Austria



Salzburg Cathedral, Austria



Mondsee Abbey, Austria



Rhine Falls, Switzerland

✓+ what's **included**

- Round-trip airfare
- Airport taxes/fuel surcharges
- First-class hotels
- Private transportation
- Daily breakfast and dinner
- Sightseeing/admission fees
- All tips/gratuities
- Daily Mass
- Professional tour guide
- Medical insurance

We strongly recommend purchasing trip cancellation insurance to help protect your investment in the event an unexpected circumstance requires you to cancel your trip. Nativity Pilgrimage works with Trawick International to provide pilgrims with travel insurance options. To learn more, please visit:

<https://nativity.trawickinternational.com>

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YOUR PACKAGE INCLUDES

Air Transportation: Economy-class, round-trip airfare is based on rates available at the time of reservation. Rates and schedules are subject to change without notice. Once issued, airline tickets are non-refundable, non-transferable, and cannot be applied toward future travel.

Private Transportation: All land transportation described in the itinerary will be provided by deluxe motor coach. Some motor coaches may be equipped with Wi-Fi service.

Full-Board Cruise: If you choose the optional Greece 4-day extension, you will have full-board cruise accommodations for 2 nights in an outside cabin.

Hotel Accommodations: Accommodations will be provided at first-class hotels based on double occupancy (two people per room with a private bath). Neither Nativity Pilgrimage nor the trip coordinator is responsible for providing a roommate.

Included Meals: Breakfast and dinner are provided daily unless otherwise stated in the itinerary.

Tips/Gratuities: Gratuities for tour guides, drivers, hotel staff, wait staff, and other service personnel are included.

Baggage: Most airlines limit passengers to one (1) checked bag and one (1) carry-on. Travelers are responsible for confirming current baggage allowances, weight limits, dimensions, and applicable fees directly with the airline.

Airport Fees: Airport taxes, portage, fuel surcharges, and security fees are included.

Medical Coverage: Medical coverage is provided for the duration of the trip. Coverage details, limits, exclusions, and claims procedures are governed solely by the insurance policy documents provided by the insurer.

YOUR PACKAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE

Cancellation Insurance: We strongly recommend purchasing travel insurance at the time of registration.

Passport/Visa Expenses: Passports, visas, and any additional travel documents required for the trip are not included. Passports must remain valid for at least six months beyond the scheduled return date. Travelers are solely responsible for obtaining and carrying all required passports, visas, vaccination documentation, and other entry requirements imposed by destination countries.

Personal Expenses: Laundry, beverages (including wine, liquor, mineral water, tea, coffee, etc.), meals or food items not included in the meal plan, excess or additional baggage, and other personal expenses.

Non-Itinerary Fees: Any sightseeing, services, admission fees, or personal expenses not specifically listed as included in the itinerary.

Non-Included Meals: Travelers are responsible for meals not specified as included in the itinerary.

GENERAL TRAVEL INFORMATION

Group Air Policy: Group airfare differs from individually purchased airline tickets and is subject to the terms and conditions of the applicable airline. Registration and full payment must be received by the stated payment deadline. Registrations received after the deadline may be subject to different airfare, ticketing arrangements, airlines, or additional fees. Group flight arrangements are generally confirmed 60–90 days prior to departure.

Point of Departure: If your preferred departure city is not listed in the brochure, indicate your requested airport on the registration form. Nativity Pilgrimage will provide the best available airfare and flight schedule to connect you with the group. Additional fees may apply.

Land-Only Option: Travelers who wish to arrange their own airfare should select the land-only option on the registration form. Unless otherwise specified, the land-only price is \$800 less than the full tour price (\$350 less for Mexico). Travelers booking their own airfare may select their preferred airline, seats, and travel schedule; use airline miles or points; provide frequent-flyer information; and make special requests directly with the airline. No changes may be made after the final payment deadline. Land-only services begin and end at the designated hotels unless the traveler is able to meet the group during a scheduled airport transfer. Land-only travelers are otherwise responsible for their own transportation to and from the hotel.

IMPORTANT POLICIES

Travel/Scheduling Changes: Flight schedules, aircraft type, routing, departure airports, and carriers are subject to change by the airline without notice.

Seat Assignments: Seat assignments for group airfare are determined by the airline, not Nativity Pilgrimage. Seat upgrades may be requested by registered travelers but are subject to availability and pricing. Quoted upgrade rates are subject to change until payment is received, and some upgrades may not be available until group tickets are issued.

Single Rooms: Tour pricing is based on double occupancy. Single rooms are available at an additional cost as specified on the registration form. Availability is limited and will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

Seat Upgrades: Upon receiving an upgrade or seat-location request, Nativity Pilgrimage will contact the airline on the traveler's behalf. Requests cannot be guaranteed and remain subject to airline availability and pricing.

Special Requests: Nativity Pilgrimage will make reasonable efforts to communicate requests for wheelchair assistance, special meals, or other accommodations to the appropriate airline or service provider. Fulfillment of such requests cannot be guaranteed and may be subject to availability and additional fees.

TRAVELER CONDUCT POLICY

Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to remove any traveler whose behavior is disruptive, unsafe, unlawful, abusive, or interferes with the safety or enjoyment of other participants. No refund will be provided for any unused portion of the trip resulting from such removal.

HEALTH/FITNESS REQUIREMENTS

Travelers are responsible for determining whether they are physically and medically capable of participating in the trip. Travelers requiring special assistance or accommodations must notify Nativity Pilgrimage at the time of registration.

BOOKING CONDITIONS

Registration: A non-refundable \$800 deposit per person is required at the time of registration. Reservations will not be processed without the required deposit.

Payment Deadline: Full payment is due Friday, May 14, 2027. Registrations received after the deadline are considered late and are subject to availability and an additional \$100 fee. If payment is not made in full at least 50 days prior to departure, all payments become non-refundable.

Payment Methods: Nativity Pilgrimage accepts major credit cards, checks, money orders, and Zelle payments. A 3% processing fee applies to each credit card transaction.

LATE PAYMENT POLICY

Customers whose accounts are not paid in full by the payment deadline will be subject to the following late fees:

100–61 days prior to departure: \$150

60–30 days prior to departure: \$300

30 days or less prior to departure: Subject to cancellation

Customers are also responsible for any increase in airfare resulting from late payment, subject to availability. Failure or refusal to pay any outstanding balance or applicable fees may be considered a cancellation.

CANCELLATION/REFUND POLICY

Cancellation penalties are based on the date Nativity Pilgrimage receives written notice of cancellation:

100 days or more prior to departure: Loss of \$800 deposit

99–50 days prior to departure: 50% of total trip cost

49 days or less prior to departure: 100% of total trip cost

FORCE MAJEURE

Nativity Pilgrimage shall not be liable for delays, cancellations, itinerary changes, losses, damages, or additional expenses resulting from acts of God, natural disasters, pandemics, government actions, border closures, airline disruptions, labor disputes, terrorism, civil unrest, or other events beyond its reasonable control.

TRAVEL INSURANCE OPTIONS

Medical Coverage: Every traveler with Nativity Pilgrimage receives complimentary medical insurance for the duration of the trip. Coverage details, limits, exclusions, and claims procedures are governed solely by the insurance policy documents provided by the insurer.

Trip Cancellation Insurance: We strongly recommend purchasing trip cancellation insurance, available at an additional cost, to help protect your travel investment should unforeseen circumstances require you to cancel. Coverage is available through Trawick International, or you may purchase coverage from an insurance provider of your choice.

Inquiries: You may review Trawick's travel insurance details at <https://nativity.trawickinternational.com> or contact the 24/7 customer service team at 888-301-9289 or info@trawickinternational.com.

Registration Deadline: If purchasing Cancel for Any Reason (CFAR) coverage through Trawick International, it must be purchased within 14 days of registration.

TRAVELER CONSENT

Travelers consent to receive trip-related communications electronically, including invoices, itineraries, updates, and travel documents. Travelers also grant Nativity Pilgrimage permission to use photographs and video taken during the tour for promotional purposes unless written notice is provided prior to departure.

RESPONSIBILITY

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. and its agents assume no liability or responsibility in connection with the trip for personal injury, loss of or damage to property, accidents, delays, changes in schedule or itinerary, incidental damages, or other irregular circumstances. This includes, but is not limited to, any default, act, or omission by third-party service providers or facilities providing services related to or included in any portion of the tour. Airlines, cruise lines, and other transportation companies whose services are included in the tour are not responsible for any act, omission, or event occurring while passengers are not aboard their respective means of transportation. The transportation contract issued by each carrier constitutes the sole contract between that carrier and the purchaser and/or passenger. Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. assumes no liability or responsibility in connection with such contracts.

Nativity Pilgrimage, Inc. is not responsible for losses or additional expenses resulting from delays or changes in air or other services, illness, weather conditions, strikes, war, quarantines, or other causes beyond its control. Any such losses or expenses shall be the responsibility of the traveler, as tour rates cover only the arrangements and services specified for the stated travel period.

Nativity Pilgrimage reserves the right to substitute hotels listed in the itinerary with accommodations of similar quality and to cancel any tour prior to departure. Refund conditions vary by trip. No refund will be issued for any portion of the tour that has already been used or completed unless prior arrangements were made before departure from the United States. Prices and itineraries are subject to change without notice if booking conditions are not met. Any dispute arising from this agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Texas and resolved exclusively in the courts located in Harris County, Texas.

